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National Prize Class I for Art and Literature

Collective Prize: Dr Willi Bredel [CIA Photo No P-54319], National Prize winner, author, script-writer, Berlin; Michael Tschesno-Hell [P-56087], author, script-writer, Berlin; Dr Kurt Maetzig [P-56088], National Prize winner, motion-picture director at DEFA [German Film Corporation], Babelsberg; Guenther Simon [P-56089], actor with DEFA, Berlin; Karl Plintzner [P-56090], National Prize winner, cameraman with DEFA, Berlin; for their contributions to the film "Ernst Thaelmann - Son of His Class."

National Prize Class I for Science and Technology

Prof Dr Wilhelm Blaschke [P-56091], member of the academies of Bucharest, Halle, Leipzig, Munich, Naples, and Padua and professor of mathematics at Hamburg University [West Germany]; for outstanding work in the field of geometry, particularly, creative achievement in the field of topological differential geometry.

Collective Prize: Bitterfeld Electrochemical Combine (Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld): Dr Walther Heyder [P-56092], National Prize winner, managing director, Bitterfeld; Dr Hans Ehlers [P-56093], technical director, Sandersdorf, Kreis Bitterfeld; Dr Alfred Heymann [P-56094], department deputy director, Bitterfeld; Gustav Mehre [P-56095], engineer, Bitterfeld; Otto Bergmann [P-56096], industrial chemist, Delitzsch; for the development of the large Bitterfeld [electronic] cell for the electrolysis of alkali chlorides according to the diaphragm process, with current yields such as never before achieved.

National Prize Class II for Art and Literature

Prof Josef Hegenbarth [P-56097], designer, painter, illustrator, Dresden; for outstanding illustrations, especially those for Gogol's Tote Seelen, (Dead Souls) and Goethe's Reinecke Fuchs.

Bodo Uhse [P-56098], editor at Aufbau-Verlag [publishing firm], author, Grossglienicke; for books published in Germany since 1945, especially, the novel on the German resistance movement, Patrioten (Patriots).

Ehm Welk [P-56099], author, poet, Bad Doberan/Mecklenburg; for outstanding literary achievement, which has promoted the development of German humanist culture.

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National Prize Class II for Science and Technology

Prof Dr Richard Pfeifer [P-56100], member of the Leopoldina Academy [in Halle] and the Sachsen Academy of Sciences, Leipzig, and director of the Brain Research Institute (Hirnforschungsinstitut) in Leipzig; for outstanding creative work in the field of brain research, especially in the development of complete blood-vessel injection methods, which have opened up new possibilities for research on the circulatory system of the brain.

Prof Dr Friedrich Zucker [P-56101], regular member of the German Academy of Sciences in Berlin and member of the Sachsen Academy of Sciences in Leipzig and also professor at the Friedrich Schiller University in Jena; for outstanding work in the field of archaeology, especially in papyrology.

Prof Dr Heinz Roehrer [P-56102], National Prize winner, member of the German Academy of Agricultural Sciences in Berlin, and president of the Friedrich Loeffler Institute (located on Riems Island, near Greifswald) of the German Academy of Agricultural Sciences; for scientific work in the field of virology, especially for his participation in combating the 1953 hog cholera epidemic by inoculation with crystal violet vaccine.

Prof Dr Wilhelm Stahl [P-56103], member of the German Academy of Agricultural Sciences in Berlin, professor and director of the Institute for Animal Breeding (Institut fuer Tierzucht) at Humboldt University in Berlin, director of the Animal Breeding Institute at the University of Rostock, director of the Central Research Institute (Zentrale Forschungsanstalt) in Dummerdorf, and editor in chief of the periodical Tierzucht (Animal Breeding), published in Klein Machnow; for outstanding scientific work in the field of animal breeding and nutrition, especially for research on the effects of heredity, feeding, and handling methods on the health and productivity increase of dairy cattle and other livestock.

Prof Paul Goerlich [P-56104], doctor of engineering, member of a section of the German Academy of Sciences in Berlin, chief scientific director at the VEB Carl Zeiss Optical Plant (Optik Carl Zeiss) in Jena; for research in the field of photoelectric effects and his book on photoelectric cells, which is regarded as a standard work on this subject.

Collective Prize: Prof Eduard Maurer [P-56105], doctor of engineering, regular member of the German Academy of Sciences in Berlin; and Prof Karl-Friedrich Luedemann [P-56106], doctor of engineering, activist, Meritorious Technician of the People, professor at Humboldt University in Berlin; for their work in improving the quality of Siemens-Martin steel and in developing and introducing into production new manufacturing processes for important steels.

Prof Dr Heinrich Bredt [P-56107], member of the section for oncology in the German Academy of Sciences in Berlin and director of the Pathological Institute at Karl Marx University in Leipzig; for outstanding scientific achievement in the field of pathological physiology of hormones as well as for work in arteriosclerosis and the sclerosis of the pulmonary artery.

Prof Dr Georg Leyh [P-56108], former director of the library at Tuebingen University [West Germany]; for outstanding work in the field of library science and for notable achievement in the standardization of the German library system.

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Prof Kurt Schwabe [P-56109], doctor of engineering, activist, member of the German Academy of Sciences in Berlin; member of the Sachsen Academy of Sciences in Leipzig, prorector for research matters at the Dresden Technical College (Technische Hochschule Dresden), and director of the Institute for Electrochemistry and Physical Chemistry (Institut fuer Elektrochemie und physikalische Chemie) at the Dresden Technical College; for outstanding work in the field of electrochemistry, particularly, for research in the field of the theoretical and industrial uses of pH value-determination and of potentiometry.

National Prize Class III for Art and Literature

Fritz Kuehn [P-56110], creator of artistic forged pieces (Kunstschmiedemeister), Berlin; for contribution to the artistic arrangement of large-scale construction projects in the GDR, particularly in Stalinallee, Berlin.

Erwin Geschonneck [P-56111], actor, Klein Machnow; for versatile high-level performances on the stage and in motion pictures.

Prof Max Butting [P-56112], regular member of the German Academy of Arts in Berlin; for outstanding compositions, especially the Symphonic Variations, the Orchestral Ballad, and the Sixth String Quartette, as well as for important contribution to the development of German musical life.

Franz Kutschera [P-56113], actor and stage manager, Berlin-Charlottenburg; for outstanding performance as an actor and stage manager in the development of a realistic German theatrical art.

Prof Heinrich Drake [P-56114], sculptor, professor at the Advanced School for Applied Arts (Hochschule fuer angewandte Kunst) in Berlin; for outstanding stone sculptures, especially the busts of Karl Marx, which are worthy representations of German plastic arts.

Hedda Zinner [P-56115], authoress, Berlin; for her stage play "Der Teufelskreis" ("The Diabolical Circle"), which is a valuable contribution to the unity of the German working class and to the fight for peace.

Collective Prize: Stephan Hermlin [P-56116], National Prize winner, regular member of the German Academy of Arts in Berlin; Max Jaap [P-56117], motion-picture director; and Dr Eberhard Rebling [P-56118], musicologist; for the documentary film, "Ludwig van Beethoven," which brings the personality and musical works of Beethoven close to the German people.

Collective Prize: Wolfgang Kohlhaas [P-56119], script-writer; Gerhard Klein [P-56120], motion-picture director, for the motion picture "Alarm im Zirkus," which is a new, effective contribution to the field of adventure films for youth.

Wolfgang Heinz [P-56121], stage director at the German Theater in Berlin, for outstanding contributions as director of the plays "Othello" and "Somow und andere" ("Somov and others"). Heinz's work represents progress in the development of realistic stage art.

National Prize Class III for Science and Technology

Prof Dr Friedrich Behrens [P-56122], dean of the Economics Faculty of Karl Marx University in Leipzig, for work in the field of economics, especially, for research on labor productivity.

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Collective Prize: Ingeborg Philipp [P-56123], physicist at the "Hans Beimler" VEB Locomotive and Electrical Goods Plant (Lokomotivbau-Elektrotechnisches Werk) in Hennigsdorf; Dr Hans-Jeachim Philipp [P-56124], chemist at the "Hans Beimler" VEB Locomotive and Electrical Goods Plant; for the development of high-grade insulating materials up to the manufacturing and utilization stage, particularly, for the development of electric insulating materials on a domestic raw-material basis.

Georg Kaldschmidt [P-56125], engineer, chief designer at the "Viktoria" VEB Printing Press Works (Druckmaschinenwerk), in Heidenau near Dresden; for the development and design of a new type rotary press with a capacity of 5,000 sheets per hour, in which case the GDR achieved acclaim among the world's foremost class in the production of printing and automatic presses.

Prof Dr Kurd von Buelow [P-56126], professor of geology, director of the Geological-Paleontological Institute of the School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (Geologisch-Palaeontologisches Institut der Mathematisch-Naturwissenschaftlichen Fakultät) at the University of Rostock; for exemplary geological work, especially in the field of geology of the plains, and for work in the field of soil science, ground-water exploration, and the formation of bog iron ore.

Collective Prize: Dr Werner Winkler [P-56127], former director of the Premnitz VEB Rayon Works (Kunstseidenwerk Premnitz) and, at present, Deputy Minister of Heavy Industry, Berlin; Artur Wilke [P-56128], activist, graduate engineer, chief engineer at the Premnitz VEB Rayon Works; Vinzenz Nagel [P-56129], engineer, activist, Meritorious Inventor, director of the rayon-production shops at the Premnitz VEB Rayon Works; Heinrich Fischer [P-56130], graduate engineer, activist, assembly director (Aufbauleiter) at the Premnitz VEB Rayon Works; Alfred Schubert [P-56131], former technical director at the Premnitz VEB Rayon Works; at present, technical director of the Main Administration for Equipment for the Textile, Paper, and Printing Industries, in the Ministry of Machine Building, Berlin; Gerhard Doms [P-56132], designer at the People-Owned Enterprise for the Design and Development of Textile Machinery (Konstruktion und Entwicklung fuer Textilmaschinen), Karl-Marx-Stadt; for the development and design of a new semicontinuous rayon spinning machine. This machine, which has been put into operation in large-scale production, has made possible a considerable improvement in the production of rayon from the standpoint of both quantity and quality.

Heinrich Mauersberger [P-56133], special designer at the VEB for the Design and Development of Textile Machinery, Karl-Marx-Stadt, [residing in?] Burgstaedt; for the development and design of a chain-stitch machine for [artificial] fiber fur (Faserpelz), which basically changes the technology of the production of fabric and introduces a considerable increase in labor productivity.

Collective Prize: Textile Printing Machine at the VEB for the Design and Development of Textile Machinery, Karl-Marx-Stadt: Alwin Schwenke [P-56134], chief designer, Zittau; Herbert Berndt [P-56135], office chief, Zittau; Friedrich Kunze [P-56136], first designer, Zittau; Harry Neumeister [P-56137], research engineer, Zittau; for the design of a new type of textile printing machine, which significantly increases the throughput speed and thus increases the labor productivity.

Prof Dr Georg Pallaske [P-56138], professor of general pathology and pathological anatomy of animals at Karl-Marx University, Leipzig; for outstanding scientific work in the field of veterinary pathology, especially in the anatomy of domestic animals.

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Prof Dr Wilhelm Treibs [P-56139], regular member of the German Academy of Sciences in Berlin, full professor of organic chemistry at Humboldt University in Berlin; for basic experimental work in organic chemistry, especially in the field of azulenes.

Collective Prize: Collective of the Construction Site F-North, VEB for Surface Construction (Baustelle F-Nord, VEB Hochbau), Berlin-Friedrichshain, Stalinallee: Paul Hermann [P-56140], three-time activist, foreman of a bricklayers' brigade; Heinrich Goerlich [P-56141], two-time activist, foreman of a bricklayers' brigade; Willi Hopke [P-56142], Meritorious Activist, head foreman; Alfred Proehl [P-56143], two-time activist, chief of construction site; for the improvement of work organization in the construction industry of the GDR and the resultant production increase and cost reduction, which has become an example for the entire construction industry in the GDR.

Prof Josef Stanek [P-56144], graduate engineer, Hero of Labor, activist, director at the VEB for the Development and Production of Electrical Measuring Instruments (Entwicklung und Fabrikation Elektrischer Messgeraete: EFEM), Berlin-Oberschoeneweide; for outstanding achievement in the field of the development of electrical precision measuring instruments.

Collective Prize: LPG [Agricultural Producer Cooperative] "Friedrich Engels" in Schafstaedt Kreis Merseburg: Wilhelm Paisoni, master farmer, chairman of the LPG "Friedrich Engels" in Schafstaedt; Paul Boehme [P-56145], member of the executive committee of the LPG "Friedrich Engels"; Max Broemel [P-56146], member of the executive committee of the LPG "Friedrich Engels"; for outstanding work organization based on the principle of piecework performance and the activist and innovator movement, by means of which the LPG has achieved an exemplary increase in production.

Collective Prize: "Black-Coal (Steinkohle) Mining" Collective: Gustav Huebner [P-56147], Hero of Labor, Meritorious Miner, foreman of a miners' brigade at the Wismut AG [Uranium mining corporation] in Zwickau/Sachsen; Willi John [P-56148], five-time activist, Meritorious Activist, Meritorious Miner, shaft foreman and instructor at Martin Hoop Black Coal Works IV (Steinkohlenwerk Martin Hoop IV) in Zwickau, Neuwerschnitz; Hans Seidel [P-56149], activist, member of a brigade at Martin Hoop Black Coal Works IV in Zwickau, Muelzen; Heinz Loebig [P-56150], two-time activist, Meritorious Activist, foreman of a brigade at the "Karl Liebknecht" Black Coal Works (Steinkohlenwerk "Karl Liebknecht"), Oelsnitz; for exemplary work in constructing tunnels through rock, which led to a considerable increase in production in coal and ore mines.

Collective Prize: Apolda-Heusdorf, MTS (Machine Tractor Station): Jochen Skarlett [P-56151], LPG agronomist; Ewald Nohle [P-56152], technician; Dieter Wiehmer [P-56153], chief agronomist; Wolfgang Hahn [P-56154], director of the MTS; for the introduction of full mechanization and outstanding work organization on the basis of the two-shift system and the implementation of the brigade system, by means of which the plan was overfulfilled.

Collective Prize: LPG "Werben", Kreis Leipzig-Land: Walter Fischer [P-56155], chairman of the LPG "Werben"; Martin Eisler [P-56156], foreman of a brigade; Willy Hell [P-56157], foreman of an animal-breeding brigade; Paul Harnisch [P-56158], foreman of a brigade; for outstanding work organization based on the principle of piecework performance and on the activist and innovator movement, by means of which the LPG achieved an exemplary increase in production.

Collective Prize: Collective in the Power Plant of the Bitterfeld Electrochemical Combine: Ernst Kammeier, engineer, activist; Wolfgang Berger, activist, production engineer; Paul Absch, activist, production technician; for the development of a process for the cleaning and maintenance of condenser tubes, the application of which has resulted in a considerable increase in electric power production.

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Collective Prize: Fritz Behrendt, technical director of the VEB for Railroad Car Construction (Waggonbau), Dessau; Walter Kahmann, chief designer at the VEB for Railroad Car Construction, Dessau; Wolfgang Herrmann, chief designer at the VEB for Construction and Development, Karl-Marx-Stadt; for the development and construction of refrigerator trains, which conform to the latest standards in refrigeration and temperature-control technology and which have made possible a considerable increase in GDR exports.

Collective Prize: Werner Lang, engineer; Walter Mueller, engineer; Paul Bauer, engineer; Hans Hoefer, plant manager; Kurt Perdusz, chief designer; for the creation of the first fully automatic production line for metal-cutting work in the GDR. (1)

HEROES OF LABOR

The title Hero of Labor was awarded to the following 44 persons in 1954 (this award, first instituted in 1950, includes a certificate and a cash prize of 10,000 DM):

Otto Appel, technical director at the Brehna MTS.

Johannes Auxel, TAN [Technical Work Standards] expert at the VEB Sachsen Works (Sachsenwerk) in Dresden-Niedersedlitz.

Eduard Bednarzik, captain [of a fishing vessel or fleet] at the VEB Rostock-Marienehe Fishing Combine (Fischkombinat).

Otto Bennecke, farmer, Winterfeld, Kreis Kalbe (Milde River).

Konrad Bergmann, technical-scientific employee at the VEB for Graphic Arts (Typoart) in Dresden.

Kurt Buyny, combine driver at the Wolzow MTS.

Walter Ernst, director of the designing office at the VEB East Thuringen Furniture Works (Ostthueringer Moebelwerke) in Zeulenroda.

Kurt Fichtner [P-54410], plant director at the VEB Light Metal Plant (Leichtmetallwerk) in Rackwitz.

Bruno Fleischer, pig breeder at the Koellitzsch VEB [People-Owned Farm].

Margareta Foerster, mold setter at the Bitterfeld VEB Electrochemical Combine (Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld).

Erich Giebner, miner at Objekt 96 of Wismut AG [uranium mining corporation].

Walter Grosse, foreman of molder brigade at the Thale Iron and Steel Plant (Eisenhuettenwerk Thale).

Erwin Guenther, operations manager at the VEB Construction Enterprise "South" (Bau-Union Sued) in Dresden.

Martin Hahn, miner at the "Karl Liebknecht" Black Coal Works (Steinkohlenwerk) in Oelsnitz.

Albert Hambruch, smelter at the "Ernst Thaelmann" VEB for Heavy Machine Building.

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Edwin Hartmann (posthumous award), foreman of miners' brigade at "Thomas Muenzer" Potash Plant (Kaliwerk) in Bischofferode.

Alfred Hildebrandt, foreman of miners' brigade at Objekt 02 of Wismut AG.

Herbert Hochkirch [P-54411], chief engineer at the VEB Nitrogen Works (Stickstoffwerk) in Piesteritz.

Frida Hockner [P-54412], weaver at the Zittau Textile Mill (Mechanische Weberei).

Rudolf Hofmann, brigade foreman at Objekt 101 of Wismut AG.

Heinrich Kellner [P-54413], plant manager at the Bitterfeld VEB Electrochemical Combine.

Kurt Klempkow [P-54414], plant director at the VEB "Elbe" Power Plant (Kraftwerk) in Vockerode.

Helmut Koeber, typesetter at the VEB "Das Volk" Printing Plant (Druckhaus) in Erfurt.

Anna Kojetinsky, ring spinner at the Thueringen Worsted Spinning Mill (Thueringer Kammgarnspinnerei) in Eisenach.

Ferdinand Kunz, milker at the Delmin VEG.

Erich Marth, foreman of miners' brigade at shaft 78, Objekt Annaberg, Wismut AG.

Ernst Meinicke, chairman of the "Bundschuh" LPG in Biere, Kreis Schoenebeck.

Stefan Melzer, foreman of miners' brigade at Objekt 09, Wismut AG.

Helmut Muehlenmeier, machinist at the VEB "Banner des Friedens" Shoe Factory (Schuhfabrik) in Weissenfels.

Josef Reinhold, foreman of miners' brigade at Objekt 1, Wismut AG.

Paul Robalewski, head foreman at the VEB Buna Chemical Works (Chemische Werke Buna).

Herbert Rudzewitsch, foreman of bricklayers' brigade at the VEB Construction Enterprise (Bau-Union) in Potsdam.

Bruno Sikorski, foreman of miners' brigade at Objekt 02, Wismut AG.

Paul Simon, weaver at the VEB Cloth Factory (Tuchfabrik) in Werdau.

Hans Schilling, captain [of a fishing vessel or fleet] at the VEB Rostock Fish Combine.

Charlotte Steinbach, weaver at the "Einheit" Textile Mill (Textilwerke) in Glauchau.

Gustav Storzer, foreman of miners' brigade at the Otto Brosowski Shaft of the Mansfeld Combine.

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Herbert Streich, foreman of technicians' brigade at the August Bebel Metallurgical Plant of the "Wilhelm Pieck" Mansfeld Combine (August-Bebel-Huette, Mansfeldkombinat) in Eisleben.

Herbert Thieme, shift foreman at the VEB Ferroalloy Plant (Ferrolegierungswerk) in Lippendorf.

Guenther Weber, miner at the VEB "Karl Liebknecht" Black Coal Works in Oelsnitz.

Georg Weck, technical-scientific employee at the VEB for Graphic Arts, Dresden.

Dieter Weichard, tractor driver at the Warmsdorf MTS, Bezirk Magdeburg.

Gotthard Werner, miner, VEB for Tungsten and Tin Ore (Wolfram-Zinnerz), Rodewisch-Bad Zschorlau.

Ernst Wolf, chairman of the "Freundschaft" LPG in Schulenberg. (2)

MERITORIOUS PHYSICIANS OF THE PEOPLE

The following 24 doctors received the honorary title Meritorious Physician of the People in 1954 (the award consists of a certificate, a medal, and a cash prize):

Dr Friedrich Anstett [P-54415], medical director of the Zschadrass Sanatorium.

Dr Karl-Heinz Bartels [P-54416], chief physician of the polyclinic at the Riesa Steel and Rolling Mill (Stahl-und Walzwerk Riesa).

Prof Dr Alfred Beyer [P-54417], professor of social hygiene, Berlin.

Dr Gerhard Broll [P-54418], medical director of the Zwickau Mining Hospital (Bergbaukrankenhaus).

Dr Arthur Drescher [P-54419], director of the Kreis hospital and the Herzberg/Elster Polyclinic.

Dr Walter Friedeberger [P-54420], director of the German Hygiene Museum in Dresden.

Dr Hans-Rudolf Gestewitz [P-54421], major, Medical Corps (Major des medizinischen Dienstes) and ear, nose, and throat specialist.

Dr Wally Gueth (female) [P-54422], chief physician of the Gottleuba Clinic and Sanatorium.

Dr Johannes Heydemann, engaged in private practice in Boizenburg.

Dr Paul Kirchner, practicing physician in Radeberg.

Prof Dr Heinz Kuestner [P-54423], medical director of the Kreis Weissenfels Hospital.

Dr Anne-Marie Lohmann [P-54424], chief physician of the "Dr Hoch" Polyclinic in Dessau.

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Dr Friedrich Loeffler [P-54425], professor of orthopedics and director of the University Orthopedic Clinic of the Charité [hospital in Berlin].

Dr Dietfried Mueller-Hegemann [P-54426], docent, director of the Main Department for Science in the Ministry of Health, Berlin, and acting director of the Neurological Clinic of the University in Leipzig.

Dr Walter Muscater, Kreis physician for Kreis Senftenberg.

Dr Margot Noack, chief physician in the children's department of the "Am Sund" Hospital in Stralsund.

Prof Dr Max Otten [P-54427], director of the hospital in Altstadt-Magdeburg.

Dr Theodor Pott [P-54428], director of the school dental clinic (Schulzahnklinik) of the city of Leipzig.

Dr Klaus Reuter, Bezirk physician for Bezirk Karl-Marx-Stadt.

Prof Dr Friedrich Sartorius, director of the Bezirk Potsdam Hygiene Institute and of the State Institute for Rabies Inoculation (Staatliches Institut fuer Tollwutschutzimpfung) in Potsdam.

Dr Hans-Joachim Senger, chief physician of the Grossbreitenbach Rural Policlinic.

Dr Josef Schnurrer, director of the Bad Salzungen Tuberculosis Consultation Office.

Dr Walter Schuh, deputy director of the Erfurt-Mitte Policlinic and director of the skin and venereal diseases department of the policlinic.

Dr Fritz Zeiseweis [P-54429], medical director of the Oskar Ziethen Hospital in Berlin. (3)

MERITORIOUS TECHNICIANS OF THE PEOPLE

The honorary title Meritorious Technician of the People was conferred on the following 43 engineers, technicians, and scientists in 1954:

Walter Anders, for special contribution to the field of welding technology.

Rudolf Balitzki, graduate engineer, for services in connection with the design, development, and reduction of costs of the largest solid-fat installation in the GDR.

Ernst Berg, for contributions in the design of a ship's lifting and lowering device.

Werner Bley, for outstanding contributions in the design of refrigerator trains.

Gottlieb Bruegmann, doctor of engineering, for outstanding work in connection with the introduction of Soviet innovator methods in the field of metal cutting.

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Fritz Brunn, for the development and application of new casting processes, by means of which important improvements in quality, conservation of materials, and a considerable decrease in rejects were achieved.

Rudolf Doelle, for the design of a new process for the production of gear wheels, using the high-speed metal cutting method.

Karl Franzen, for the development and application of new assembly methods for bridge construction.

Josef Grassl, doctor of engineering for great achievement in the field of plastics and organic chemistry.

Ehrhard Groedel, graduate physicist, for the development and redesign of geodetical instruments.

Ernst Guenther, doctor of engineering, for the improvement of the quality of transformer sheets and the development of a new rolling-mill technology.

Walter Haelbich, doctor of engineering, for the development of ore-processing methods in connection with the production of lead, zinc, pyrite, and silver.

Walter Hass, graduate engineer, for new types of special installations in the field of high-vacuum and television technology.

Dr Richard Hessen, for the development of a corrosion preventive for aluminum and steel and of an impregnating adhesive for woods.

Johannes Ihlefeldt, graduate engineer, for numerous new developments and technical improvements in the field of pulverizing and crushing plants as well as of conveying machinery.

Heinz Knackmus, for contribution to the design of heavy machinery.

Dr Friedrich Kuettner, for a new method of producing an active filler in the rubber industry.

Paul Kuhnke, graduate engineer, for numerous improvements and new processes, particularly for the improvement of the quality of briquettes and for the increase of electric-power production.

Albert Kuntze, graduate engineer, for outstanding contribution to the field of the technical reconstruction of the plastics industry.

Dr Guenter Legutke, for the production of high-grade lubricants, which contribute towards lengthening the running time [of machines].

Kurt Lehmann, for several new developments in the special field of "Kaltsalzwerke" [literally: cold salt works. Possibly means "Kaltwalzwerke", cold-rolling mills].

Rudolf Lincke, for mechanization and rationalization measures in the field of lens production.

Dr Heinrich Loemke, for the development and perfection of designs for brown-coal firing, grate firing, and coal-dust firing systems.

Friedrich Mikulaschek, for services in connection with the assembly and perfection of rolling-mill equipment.

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Dr Ernst Neumann, for the development of new sources of light and special radiation equipment as well as lamps with low power consumption.

Prof Fritz Uenhaus, doctor of engineering, for services in the special fields of high-tension technology and high-tension ceramics.

Willy Radeke, for the design and development of a pioneering innovation in the field of gear cutting, which considerably increases work productivity.

Werner Rademacher, doctor of engineering, for contribution to the field of coal processing and the improvement of the briquetting process.

Walter Riese, for a new method for the production of half st. of deciduous wood.

Max Saupe, for achievement in the field of hot-air heating systems.

Gottfried Suer, graduate engineer, for the significant improvement of mine surveying and for valuable geological work.

Johannes Schreinert, for services in the field of reinforced-concrete construction.

Harry Stollberg, for comprehensive research in the design of Siemens-Martin furnaces and for the improvement of melting capacity.

Bruno Strehlau, for the perfection of the technology of the coking plant, which yielded great benefits for the people-owned economy.

Dr Gottfried Teufer, for special services in the field of brown-coal underground mining.

Ernst Theurich, graduate engineer, for the modernization of the electrolytic refining of lead and for a series of successful large-scale experiments.

Prof Heinz Uhlitzsch, doctor of engineering, for scientific experimental work in the design of new molds for castings and the creation of production data for a large bloomery installation (Renzanlage).

Dr Heinrich Wilhelmi, for scientific research work and new design, particularly of the automatic balancing machine with photoelectric phase indicator, as well as the 100-cycle vibration test stand, which constitute important quality products of the GDR.

Dr Horst Lucas, for the new development of an infrared spectrophotometer, which enabled the chemical industry to conduct the special analysis of organic materials with automatic recording.

Dr Emil Bergander, for establishing scientific bases for the production of yeast extract.

Wolfgang Britall, graduate engineer, for the new development of automatic control instruments for the operation of power plants.

Herbert Gruena, graduate engineer, for numerous improvement suggestions in rolling-mill technology.

Herrmann Stier, graduate engineer, for the development of a magnetic tape recorder and for the construction of radio-studio installations. (4)

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MERITORIOUS TEACHERS OF THE PEOPLE

The honorary title Meritorious Teacher of the People was awarded to the following 29 teachers in 1954 (the award consists of a certificate and a medal):

Dr Ernst Lischka, head of the agricultural school in Stapel, Kreis Hagenow.

Bernhard Meyer, teacher of the vocational school at the Georitz VEB for Machine Building..

Johannes Schwarzenberg, director of the Goethe Secondary School in Karl-Marx-Stadt..

Prof Dr Paul Oestreich, chief school inspector (Hauptschulrat), retired.

Guenter Biesel, head of the rural school (Landschule) in Altfriedland, Bezirk Frankfurt/Oder.

Georg Schutkowski, director of the Koenigswusterhausen School for the Blind (elementary and secondary school).

Fridubert Koellner, director of the Ernst Thaelmann School in Ruhla.

Dr Otto Stamford [P-54430], deputy director of the Workers' and Peasants' Faculty in Jena.

Rudolf Joppich, director of the Max Planck Secondary School in Riesa.

Bruno Lindtner, director of the secondary school in Berlin-Adlershof.

Konrad Zeller, teacher at the elementary school in Kalkreuth, Kreis Grossenhain.

Albert Doelling, director of the secondary school in Oelsnitz/Vogtland.

Ursula Pissang, director of the elementary school in Niederoderwitz, Kreis Zittau.

Ulrich Millat, head of the station for young natural scientists in Dergenthin, Bezirk Schwerin.

Max Graefe, director of the Diesterweg School in Magdeburg.

Charlotte Mewes, head of the "Rosa Thaelmann" Children's Home in Oberweimar.

Paul Berthold, teacher at the elementary school in Soenitz, Bezirk Dresden.

Helmut Stanelle, director of the Pestalozzi School in Pirna, Bezirk Dresden.

Friedrich Benschel, director of the Kemmler School in Plauen/Vogtland.

Elisabeth Laffin, head of the Eberswalde Kindergarten.

Leo Gottschalk [P-54431], director of the "Wilhelm Pieck" Workers' and Peasants' Faculty at the Freiberg Mining Academy.

Werner Herden, director of the secondary school in Forst/Lausitz.

Rolf Weinbrecht, head of the vocational school at the Nema VEB in Netzschkau.

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Herbert Busch, director of School I for Retarded Children in Berlin-Pankow.
 Herbert Schlau, head of the vocational school in Parchim.
 Gertrud Stutz, head of the home for the children of seamen at Fuerstenberg/
 Oder.
 Margarete Vollmann, director of the elementary school in Ahlbeck.
 Felix Scheierke, director of the Central School in Rackwitz, Kreis Delitzsch.
 Kurt Friedrich, head of the Sondershausen Vocational School. (5)

OUTSTANDING SCIENTISTS OF THE PEOPLE

The honorary title Outstanding Scientist of the People was awarded to the following five scientists in 1954:

Prof Dr Kurt Pietzsch, Freiberg/Sachsen, for outstanding scientific work in the further development of economics in the GDR.

Dr Fritz Loewe, Jena, for outstanding scientific work in the further development of economics in the GDR.

Prof Dr Albert Fromme, Dresden, for outstanding scientific work in the field of medicine and for his contribution to the improvement of public health in the GDR.

Prof Dr Paul Geipel, Dresden, for outstanding scientific work in the field of medicine and for contribution to the improvement of public health in the GDR.

Prof Dr Wilhelm Schubart, Halle/Saale, for outstanding work in the field of archaeology, particularly in the study of papyrology. (6)

MERITORIOUS RAILROADERS

The honorary title Meritorious Railroader of the GDR was awarded to the following 28 railroaders in 1954:

Heinrich Moeller, chief of the BW [Railroad Repair Shop] Frankfurt/Oder.

Reinhold Hannert, chief locomotive engineer at the BW Luebbenau.

Max Schulz, locomotive inspector (Lokfahrmeister) at the BW Dresden-Friedrichstadt.

Otto Heerdegen, engineer at the RBA [Reichsbahn Division] Erfurt.

Walter Lange, chief locomotive engineer at the BW Leipzig, West Main Railroad Station.

Willy Fricke, carpenter at the "Wilhelm Pieck" RAW [Railroad Repair Yard] in Karl-Marx-Stadt.

Georg Gode, switch mechanic at the Barth Railroad Section.

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Karl Saewert, shunting master at the Wittenberge Railroad Station.
 August Herzfeld, dispatcher at the Warnemuende Railroad Station.
 Max Burmeester, shunting foreman at the Seddin Railroad Station.
 Heinrich Steinfels, station master of the Bad Schandau Railroad Station.
 Otto Arndt [P-54432], vice-president of RBD [Reichsbahn Directorate] Halle.
 Harry Hoffmann [P-54433], chief of the RBA Leipzig.
 Paul Platz, brigade foreman at the Saalfeld Railroad Station.
 Herta Behling, train conductor at the Pasewalk Railroad Station.
 Elisabeth Groh, train inspector at the Gera Railroad Station.
 Gerhard Hengst, station master of the Berlin-Neukoelln Railroad Station.
 Ernst Kilian, section hand at the Railroad Station II in Gotha.
 Gustav Barthel, brigade foreman at the Berlin Construction Enterprise.
 (Baubetrieb Berlin), Stalinallee construction site.
 Arthur Arnold, boiler inspector at the RAW "Einheit" in Leipzig.
 Fritz Werner, welding-brigade foreman at the RAW Jena.
 Manfred Roesler, brigade foreman at the RAW Dresden.
 Guenter Kania [P-54434], main-desk chief (Hauptreferent) in the Ministry
 of Railroads.
 Bruno Leupold, construction-unit leader in the telecommunications-
 installation department at the Erfurt Signaling and Telecommunications Equipment
 Plant (Signal- und Fernmeldewerk Erfurt).
 Wilhelm Meier, machinist at the Magdeburg Signaling and Telecommunications
 Equipment Plant (Signal- und Fernmeldewerk Magdeburg).
 Richard Lichtenfeld [P-54435], head of the Central Technical Office.
 Erich Seifert, electric welder at the "Wilhelm Pieck" RAW in Karl-Marx-Stadt.
 Alfred Bloesing, head of the car-acceptance unit at the RAW Berlin, Warschauer
 Strasse. (7).

MERITORIOUS MASTERS OF SPORTS

In 1954, the title Master of Sports was conferred on 90 men and women. The
 higher distinction of Meritorious Master of Sports was awarded to the following
 nine trainers and athletes:

Jutta Langenau, one of the world's best free-style swimmers; winner of the
 European title for the 100-meter butterfly stroke in the 1954 European swimming
 championships; two-time world student swimming champion in the summer of 1954.

Rudolf Landgraf, for his outstanding work as trainer of GDR participants
 in canoe-obstacle championship races.

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Max Schommler, light-athletics trainer at the Dynamo Sports Club in Berlin; as a result of his tutelage, many athletes have earned the title Master of Sports.

Ewald Mertens, trainer of GDR competitors in world-championship middle-distance running; also a trainer at the Halle-Leuna Chemical Workers' Sports Club.

Ursula Donath, track star and the first female athlete in the GDR who established a world record (880-yard dash).

Heinz Birkemeyer, trainer of GDR female competitors in world-championship short-distance running and hurdle-races; trainer at the Motor Sports Club in Jena.

Gisela Koehler, winner of the European record for 80-meter hurdle-races; 1954 world student champion in Budapest.

Willi Horlemann, whose experience as a former holder of records in speed walking and marathon running has been beneficial to GDR speed walkers and marathon runners.

Hans Renner, outstanding ski jumper and trainer of skiers; with his invention of synthetic mats (Kunststoffmatten) [plastic?], he has made it possible for ski jumpers to train throughout the year. (8)

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